

The Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Tribal Council Meeting
December 2, 2007
Tribal Court Room 7500 Odawa Circle

Closed Session: yes

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at: 9:33 a.m.

Opening Ceremony: Alice Yellowbank

Council Present: Legislative Leader Beatrice A. Law, Secretary Regina Gasco Bentley, Treasurer Gerald Chingwa, Councilor Dexter McNamara, Councilor Alice Yellowbank, Councilor Fred Harrington, Jr., Councilor Marvin Mulholland
Absent: Councilor Melvin L. Kiogima, Councilor Shirley Oldman

Legislative Office Staff Present: Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele LaCount

Executive Officials and Staff Present: none

Guests: Dean W. Samuels, John Kawegoma, Isaac Dillard, Allie Maldonado, Jay Maldonado

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to adopt the Agenda for December 2, 2007 with additions.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to approve the Minutes of November 18, 2007 with corrections.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to adopt Resolution: to Appropriate \$250,000 from Prior Period Funds for the Appropriation for Completion of Historic Research.

Roll Call Councilor Harrington-yes, Councilor Kiogima -absent, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to hold a public hearing for Tribal Citizens and other members of Federally Recognized Tribes to gather information to assess the impact of Indian Preference in Tribal Employment Statute on February 22, 2008 from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. and February 23, 2008 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. to be held in the Tribal Court room.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

10:31 a.m. Recessed called.

10:40 a.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to place the Waganakising Odawak Statute Land and Reservation on the Legislative Agenda.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to table the Administrative Procedures and Notary Public Draft Statutes to the next Tribal Council agenda.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to pass the Juvenile Justice Statute.

Roll Call Councilor Harrington-no, Councilor Kiogima -absent, Councilor McNamara-yes, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to pass Waganakising Odawak Statute Education Commission Statute.

Roll Call Councilor Harrington-no, Councilor Kiogima -absent, Councilor McNamara-no, Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-absent, Councilor Yellowbank-yes, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes, Legislative Leader Law-yes

Motion carried.

Motion made by Treasurer Chingwa and supported by Councilor Mulholland to adopt Tribal Resolution: 2008 Liquor Licenses for Biindigen.

Roll Call Councilor Harrington-yes Councilor Kiogima-absent, Councilor McNamara-yes Councilor Mulholland-yes, Councilor Oldman-absent, Councilor

Yellowbank-no, Treasurer Chingwa-yes, Secretary Gasco Bentley-yes,
Legislative Leader Law-yes
Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve Citizenship List A - Eligible for Citizenship dated November 20, 2007 for a total of 2.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Secretary Gasco Bentley and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to approve Citizenship List B – Declination Ineligible for Citizenship dated November 20, 2007 for a total of 1.

Vote: 6 - Yes, 1 – No (Councilor Harrington), 0 - Abstained, 2 - Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

11:46 a.m. Public Comment opened: John Kawegoma expressed concern regarding access to Executive Staff during regular business hours, and what is the master plan for the revenue after paying off the Casino debt. Dean W. Samuels spoke regarding the Michigan Superintendencey Letter books used for the completion of our historic research.

12:04 p.m. Public Comment closed.

12:04 Lunch recess called.

1:30 p.m. Meeting reconvened.

Motion made by Councilor Harrington and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to approve the extension of the Assistant General Counsel contract for Allie Maldonado with an increase of base pay to \$116,480 for 6 years beginning January 1, 2009 and ending December 31, 2015, the increase of base pay to \$116,480 shall become effective December 3, 2007.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Harrington to accept the Legislative Leader's verbal and written report for December 2, 2007 with confidential information.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to accept the Treasurer's verbal report for December 2, 2007.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to accept the Legislative Services Attorney verbal and written report for December 2, 2007.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Yellowbank to accept Councilor Harrington verbal report for December 2, 2007 regarding Anishinaabemowin.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

2:22 p.m. Motion made by Councilor Yellowbank and supported by Treasurer Chingwa to go into closed session for Proprietary issues.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

2:33 p.m. Returned to open session and recess called.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Councilor Yellowbank for Tribal Council attendance at the Special Work Session regarding Request for Easement meeting and Labor Relations draft Statute on December 14, 2007 and Tribal Court Constitutional Training for Separations of Powers in December 2007.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilor McNamara and supported by Secretary Gasco Bentley to adjourn at 2:43 p.m.

Vote: 7- Yes, 0 - No, 0 - Abstained, 2 – Absent (Councilor Kiogima, Councilor Oldman)

Motion carried.

These Minutes have been read and approved as written:

Approved:

Regina Gasco Bentley, Tribal Council Secretary

Date